

### **TEAM CATHOLICCARE RUN FOR REFUGEES**

Sunday 24 July Federation Square, Melbourne  
Dust off your running shoes—it's time to join Team CatholicCare in our Run for Refugees at the annual Run Melbourne event. Team CatholicCare is fundraising for its refugee and settlement programs. When refugees arrive in Australia they need extra support for successful integration and settlement in a new country. This is where CatholicCare responds with support and services. Our target is to recruit 100 Team CatholicCare members and raise \$20,000. All it takes is 100 team members raising just \$200 each, but the sky is the limit. The first 50 people to join Team CatholicCare and raise funds will receive a free Team CatholicCare t-shirt. Plus, CCI Personal Insurance will donate \$40 for every person who registers with Team CatholicCare. Details: [www.ccam.org.au/events](http://www.ccam.org.au/events) or email [fundraising@ccam.org.au](mailto:fundraising@ccam.org.au)

### **PAST STUDENTS OF AVE MARIA COLLEGE 'BACK TO AVE DAY'**

Sunday 11th September 2016. Register your interest via the Events page on our website at [www.avemaria.vic.edu.au](http://www.avemaria.vic.edu.au) Welcoming and honouring all classes from 1963 to 2015.

### **ACU SHORT COURSE ON 'INTERFAITH PERSPECTIVES ON MERCY'**

**3, 10, 17 and 24 August, 6–8pm Christ Lecture Theatre, Australian Catholic University (ACU), 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy**

Pope Francis has proclaimed 2016 as the Year of Mercy. Within this context, ACU explores mercy from the perspective of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism, with experts from the ACU School of Theology. ACU invites registrations for this upcoming short course, which is open to the public. **Cost:** \$80 for those requiring a Certificate of Attendance. \$40 for attendance only. Alternative methods of payment are available. **Registration:** <http://www.acu.edu.au/theology/shortcourses> Click on the 'Melbourne' page. Registration is essential by 1 August. **Details:** [shortcourses.ftp@acu.edu.au](mailto:shortcourses.ftp@acu.edu.au)

### ***St. Vincent de Paul Parish Prayer***

Loving God, through St Vincent de Paul, we seek your guidance and constant protection, for our parish community.

Gathered together as your people, we come as we are, to live out the Gospel message, in a faithfilled, welcoming and caring community.

Grant us your help in our weakness, that we may proclaim to all, your abundant goodness.

We praise and thank you for your gifts given freely, to share with one another.

May we never lose faith in you and always strive to live, in a spirit of strength and gentleness.

On our journey, may we be an example of your love, to those we meet.

Loving God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
may you always watch over us in all we do. Amen

### **HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME:**

If you know of anyone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the Parish Office on 9412 8460. Also, if you know of anyone would like to attend Mass on Sunday but cannot do so due to lack of transport we can arrange it for them.

Please let us know as we would love to assist.



### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL PRESS**

25th & 26th June 2016

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

The Weekly Bulletin of the Parish of St Vincent de Paul, Strathmore

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**Sunday Mass:** **Saturday Vigil:** 6.00 pm **Sunday Morning:** 8.30 am & 10.30 am

**Weekday Masses:** Tuesday - Saturday 10.00 am

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel:** Open Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 3.00 pm for private prayer

**Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation:** Saturday 9.00 am or by request

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptism will be celebrated only by appointment and after a preparation evening, arranged through the Parish Office.

First Sunday of the Month: During our weekend Masses

Second Sunday of the Month: 12.00 noon

Third Sunday of the Month: 12.00 noon

**Sacrament of Marriage:** By appointment with at least six months notice.

*A community celebrating Christ in life by striving to maintain  
a strong sense of belonging and generosity of heart.*

### ***“When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free”***

These words from Paul's letter to the Galatians echo for us the intent of Christ's Law which calls us to “Love your neighbor as yourself”.

Paul reminds us to ‘serve one another, rather, in works of love ... If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.’

Paul reminds us that we should be guided by the Spirit and hence will not be in danger of self-indulgence, since self indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit.

In today's society the greatest challenge before each of us is “self-indulgence”, or as I call it ‘meism’, which is the opposite to the message Jesus puts before us and St Paul clearly states. Perhaps it is opportune for each of us to ponder and reflect upon these words of Paul.

Sometimes it is easy to be influenced by the society that surrounds us and perhaps get caught up in thinking selfishly. May we be open to self reflection and consider how we are Spirit driven as we consider the needs those around us, before we criticize or judge.

**Entrance Antiphon:** All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!  
**Responsorial Psalm:** You are my inheritance, O Lord.  
**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!  
**Communion Antiphon:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

**Recent Deaths:** Ina Mahoney  
**Anniversaries:**  
**Thanksgiving:** \$2172.50                      **Presbytery:** \$1133.25  
**Rosters for next weekend 2nd & 3rd July**  
**6.00 pm**                      **8.30 am**                      **10.30 am**  
**Lectors:**  
L Capparelli                      M Gavaghan                      M Sullivan  
**Special Ministers:**  
T Dargan                      R McGowan                      L Anderson, N Zanko  
**Offertory:**  
A Timmins                      K Foletti                      M Scarpino  
**Counters:**                      **Transport:**  
H Tobin, D Nichols                      M Green, D Meller, P Waddington  
**Flowers:**                      **Church Cleaning:**                      **Linen:**  
M Ponte                      T Giardina  
**Next week's Readings:** Is 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

**FEASTS THIS WEEK**  
**Tuesday:** St Irenaeus  
**Wednesday:** Sts Peter and Paul

**MEETINGS THIS WEEK**  
**Monday:** Card Group in the Parish Centre at 12.15pm

**PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION**  
Next weekend we are invited to support the Peter’s Pence. This annual collection is sent to Pope Francis to assist his charitable causes.. A collection will be taken up at notice time.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
This week Fr Peter will be attending the Archdiocesan Clergy Conference. There will be no morning Masses from Tuesday to Thursday.

**CHURCH RENOVATIONS**                      **Weekly Church Update**  
Most of the painting has been completed. The rood screen on the Sanctuary has been installed. Carpet has been laid in the Narthex and Sacristy. The refurbished pews are being retuned ands all should be back next week.  
The Audio Visual and sound system is scheduled to be installed this week. Updated photos are on view in the Hall.

**LIFE AND SPIRITUALITY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL**  
During the week about 30 parishioners enjoyed the presentation on the life of St Vincent de Paul, presented by Fr Laurie McNamarra. The Yr 6 children also were engaged by Sr Debra McCarthy as she outlined the life of our patron, especially with this vision for educating the poor and marginalised in France.

**1941 to 2016 St Vincent de Paul Parish Strathmore**  
**Friday 22nd July Film**

***Monsieur Vincent***  
**1947 film on the life of St Vincent in the Parish Centre**  
Morning Tea/Supper 10.45 am & 7.30 pm

**Saturday 23rd July Social Function** Fully Booked

**Thursday 8th September School Musical** Moonee Valley 7.00 pm  
Ticketed School Musical with a 75th Anniversary flavour

**Tuesday 27th September Mass Feast of St Vincent de Paul** 10.00 am & 7.00 pm with Archbishop Denis Hart, celebrating our Feast Day

**Friday 7th October School St Vincent de Paul Day** 10.00 am Mass School  
Children Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of our Parish

**Sunday TBA Tennis Comp** St Vincent's Tennis Club Round Robin 2.00 pm Tennis Club  
A Round Robin event for the 75th anniversary

**Wednesday 2nd November Masses All Souls Day**  
Commemoration of the Faithful Departed 10.00 am & 7.00 pm School/Parish  
Remembering those who have died from our community over 75 years

**Saturday 9th November Fete Day**  
BYO & Friends In the School Grounds

**Friday 2nd December Seniors Mass** with Anointing & Luncheon  
11.00 am Mass with the seniors of our Parish with Yr 6 children with lunch to follow in the Parish Centre

**SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE CITY**  
Wednesday 29 June, 12–1pm St Francis Pastoral Centre, cnr Lonsdale and Elizabeth streets, Melbourne Each month, the St Vincent de Paul Society’s St Francis Conference holds a lunch time talk, Social Justice in the City. Dr John Falzon, CEO of the St Vincent de Paul Society National Council is this month’s guest speaker. His topic is ‘The stone the builders rejected: Who are the people rejected and locked out in an increasingly prosperous, but increasingly unequal world, at the beginning of the 21st century?’ Details: St Vincent de Paul Society, 9895 5800

***Our Vision***  
*To be a community celebrating Christ in Life*  
***Our Mission***  
*That we strive to maintain a strong sense of belonging and generosity of heart*